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Catholic Church and School
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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Saturday Vigil:.....5:00 p.m.

Sunday:.....7:30 a.m., 9:30AM
& 11:30 am

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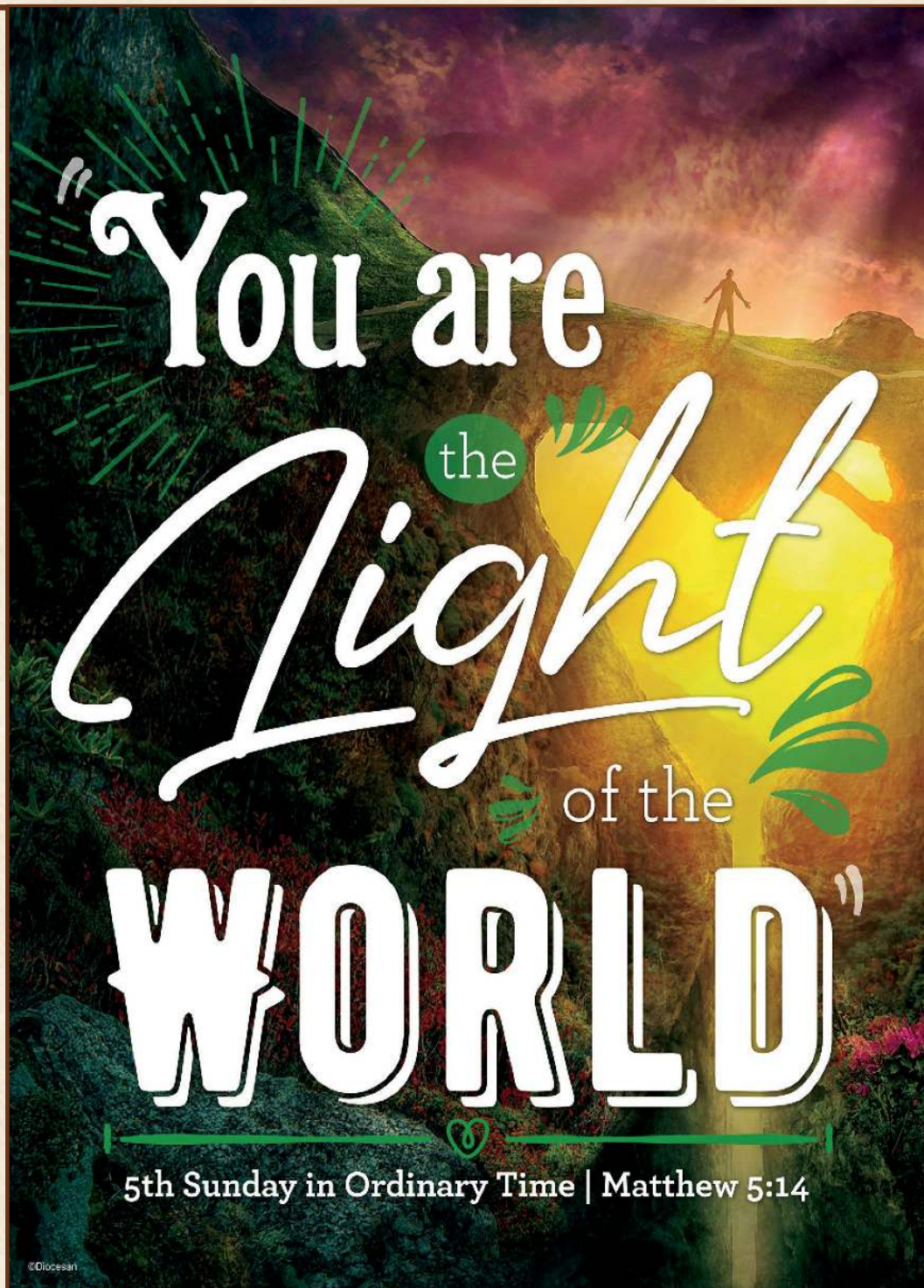
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Mass Intentions for the week of February 8th to February 15th

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
7:30 AM Louis & Ilah Grefig † by their son, Daniel	7:00 AM Special Intention Joy V Myers & family by Ruiz- Alvarez family	7:00 AM Joe Abata † by Jean Chmely	7:00 AM Special Intentions for Andre Gabriel, MD & staff by Ruiz-Alvarez family
9:30 AM Patricia Tobin † by the ladies	8:30 AM Special Intention for Joan May Happy Birthday by a friend	8:30 AM Special Intentions for Margaret Gould	8:30 AM Special Intentions for Ronald & Barbara Evans & family by Ruiz-Alvarez family
11:30 AM Bill & Natalie Gardner † by Peggy	You are the salt of the earth and the light of the world.		

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thinking about the Readings

1. Which of God's laws may I have kept this past week so as to choose life instead of death? Why?
2. Which of my personal habits such as smoking, drinking or driving at excessive speeds may be accepted practices of choosing death?
3. How have I taught people to follow the law?

Readings for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 15, 2025

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

There is set before you fire and water, life and death.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has prepared for us.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

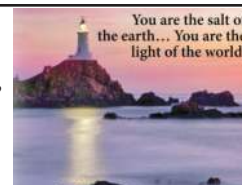
So it was said to your ancestors, but I say this to you.

DEVOTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer) at 8:10am
(before the 8:30 mass), Mon.-Thu. (unless no school on Fri.)
Recitation of the Rosary: Mon. – Sat., 9am in the Chapel.
Novena – Our Lady of Perpetual Help Tuesday, after the 8:30am Mass.
Spanish Adoration & Prayer Group, Thursdays 6:00pm
Holy Hour 9-10 – Thurs. (except holidays) after the 8:30 Mass,
Divine Mercy, Rosary, Silent Prayer, Benediction.
Holy Days – Same as Sundays (7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am)
Holy Day Vigil – 7:00pm Litanies—After the 8:30am Mass

For Reflection:

Life on earth is short. The demands of our Christian life may not always be easy, but we know that if we live up to them, we are other Christs. We are continuing his great work by our own good example to our neighbor, and we are giving glory to God, and are earning for ourselves the eternal light of heaven.



Today's good news

The **first reading** is taken from Isaiah 58:7-10. When lowliness unites all men, then God will fill the need of the world with his glorious presence. The final age will have to come.

The **second reading** is from St. Paul 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. We continue this week with Paul's 1st letter to the Corinthians as he addresses divisions within the Church. As you will recall, two weeks ago we heard Paul address those who claimed to belong to Apollos, those who claimed Cephas, others who claimed Paul, and even those who followed only Christ. At that time he reminded them all that the Church is the body of Christ and as such cannot be divided. Last week he reminded us that God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning to be His followers. If anyone can boast, they can boast only in that they have been chosen by God. This week he reminds us that we are to pay attention to what is important—we are to hear the clear message of the crucified Christ and pay attention to it and not the messenger.

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew 5:13-16. No less an authority than Christ himself calls his true followers the "salt of the earth," and the "light of the world." These are titles of honor, surely, and of the greatest distinction. Christ is putting his true follower on almost a level with himself. He was the light of the world; he was the salt of the earth. He it was who gave men the knowledge of the true nature of God, as shown by the Incarnation. He it was who gave this life its flavor, who gave this life its meaning, its preservation. By his death and resurrection he took away the sting of death, and removed its eternal corruption, by the guarantee and promise of a resurrection to an eternal life.

This very Christian knows, and this knowledge every Christian helps to bring to those who are ignorant of it, if he lives his life daily and sincerely. The Christian who does this, is really another Christ; he is continuing his work of salvation during his years on earth. He is the salt, of the earth and the light of the world. How many of us, can truly say that these honorable titles, which Christ gives to his followers, are given to us?

Unlike the salt that has lost its flavor, and the light that is kept under the bushel, the Christian who has thus behaved can change his attitude, provided he is aided by God's grace which is never refused. He can become once more what he ought to be--a life-preserver for his neighbor.

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 AM Bill Ruesewald, Sr † by the Eriksen family	7:00 AM Special Intentions for Karla V McCloud, MD & staff by Ruiz- Alvarez family	8:30 AM Michael Langan † by his mother, Joni	7:30 AM Julio Perez † by the family
8:30 AM Anna Mae Smoller † by a friend	8:30 AM Special Intentions for John & Diane Houvardas & family by Ruiz Alvarez family	5:00 PM Deceased members of the Horner family	9:30 AM Julio Perez † by the family
The Sanctuary lamp is lit this week to welcome Father Mark back to St Teresa Parish			11:30 AM Doris Castro † by Greta Neiss

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Thought: In the first reading, Isaiah urges us in the name of the Lord to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, and clothe the naked. If we do so, he assures us, the Lord will hear and answer *our* cries for help in time of need.

Parish Sacrificial Giving (Regular Sunday Offering) In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, the parishioners and visitors gave \$13,513.00 for the ministries of St. Teresa. School collection amounted to \$5,344.00. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. God bless.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK?

Who "spices up" the parish with humor, joy or play? How are their gifts part of preaching the good news?

Pope Leo's Intentions for February For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.



Eucharistic Adoration

We will have an all day Eucharistic Adoration **February 12th from 9am to 6:30pm** in the Chapel.

There will be the **Spanish Holy Hour and Exposition from 5:30-6:30pm.**

If anyone would like to sign up for an hour, please call Cheryl Kassack at: 321-383-1312 (H) 321-795-1456 (c)

SCHOOL NEWS



SAVE THE DATE...
March 14th is St. Teresa School's Annual Golf Tournament at La Cita Golf and Country Club. Start organizing your team of four golfers.



The registration forms will soon be available. Registration Fee Includes: Green Fees, Golf Cart, Pre-Tournament Lunch, Awards, Prizes and Contests Including Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin and Much More!



Also mark your calendar for a fun Casino Night which will be held on May 30th.

Many had lots of fun last year, so think and plan ahead.

February Dedicated to the Holy Family

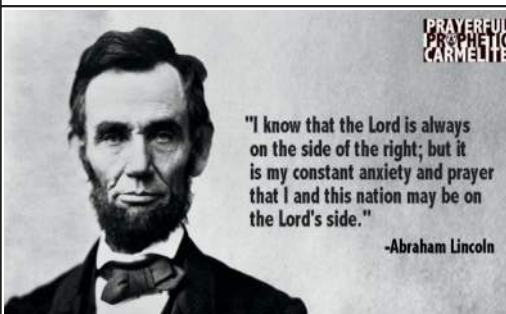
The month of February is dedicated to the **Holy Family**. This year the first 25 days of February fall during the liturgical season known as **Ordinary Time** which is represented by the liturgical color green.



Green, the symbol of hope, is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

The remaining days of February are the beginning of **Lent**. The liturgical color changes to purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

Lent begins on **February 18th**, Ash Wednesday.



February 12th
Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

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FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education (CCD)
Religious Education Classes (CCD) this
Wednesday in the school at **6:15 pm**.



First Reconciliation Prep Classes
Prep Session for 2nd Grade Students (School and Religious Ed.)
will be held this Wednesday, **February 11th**, from **6:15pm to 7:30pm** in Avila Hall. If you have any questions contact Faith Formation office.

OCIA

Our OCIA meeting is this Sunday, **February 8th at 1:30pm** in the Avila Hall.

"O"ur Catholic Nugget

A Quote from Pope St Gregory the Great. "The Holy Bible is like a mirror before our mind's eye. In it we see our inner face. From the Scriptures we can learn our spiritual deformities and beauties. And there too we discover the progress we are making and how far we are from perfection."

Confirmation 2027

Prep Sessions (1-4) for Confirmation
Wednesday, **Feb 11, 2026** @ 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Adult Bible Study

Winter Bible study:

Monday, February 9th 9:30am in Avila Hall

Tuesday, February 10th 6:30pm in Avila Hall

Wednesday, February 11th 9:30am in Avila Hall

If you have any questions contact the Faith Formation office at 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org.

Breakfast Buffet

Save the date, **Sunday February 15th** for our next Breakfast Buffet after each Mass in the Parish Center. Omelets made to order, pancakes, as well as Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits and Gravy! Suggested donation: Adults: \$12, Children 5-12 \$6.

Proceeds will be used to reduce the cost of the Youth Travelers on our Italy Youth Pilgrimage 2026.

Italy Pilgrimage 2026, Fund Raisers

Fund Raiser	Dates
50/50 Raffles	Monthly, ticket sale after each Mass, Drawing at the end of each month.
Breakfast Buffet	Monthly, see announcements and Bulletin for dates.
Restaurant Spirit Nights	Culvers 5:00pm – 8:00pm ; April 20 th , June 1 st
Italian Dinner Night	February 21, 2026

Italian Dinner Night

Save the date, **February 21, 2026!** Our Youth Italy Pilgrimage group will be hosting an Italian Dinner night in in Avila Hall.

Our menu will include:

- * Caesar & Antipasto Salad
- * Baked Ziti w/Marinara Sauce
- * Bread
- * Dessert
- * Choice of Regular Tea, Sweet Tea, Lemonade, or Water
- * Coffee

Presale tickets will be sold after Mass. Tickets are \$13.00 each.

Bereavement /Grief Support Group

A Grief, Prayer, Support Group has been organized for anyone that has lost a loved one or is interested in participating.

You do not need to be a member of the Parish to participate.

Meetings will be held on **Thursdays from 4:30-6:30PM**.

All are welcome. For additional information, please contact the Parish Office @321-268-3441



Blue Army Rosary

Blue Army Rosary and Chaplets

The St. Teresa Chapter of the Blue Army is hosting, in the Chapel, a **weekly**:

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy on **Monday** nights at **6pm**

There will be a Pot Luck dinner



Choir Rehearsal

Contemporary choir rehearses every **Tuesday at 7pm** in the church.

Traditional choir rehearses every **Wednesday at 7pm** in the church



Food Pantry Cor Jesu

The Food Pantry is in need of canned corn, green beans & pork&beans

Gift card are always welcome. They can be placed in the box outside the gift shop. So good for meat or perishable items.

If you chose to send a check please make out to Cor Jesu.

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Moms of Tiny Saints

A Catholic ministry where moms can find community in the messiness and joy of raising tiny saints. Join us at one of our upcoming events.

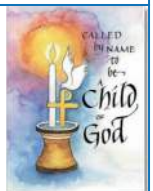


Contact Kasey at (321) 289-6399 for any questions.

Feb. 10 10AM Taylor Park at Cocoa Village Playground Meet Up

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism or a Preparation Class contact the Faith Formation Office 321-349-5445 (voice or text) or by email at faithformation@stteresa-titusville.org. The Preparation class will be held on the date and time you schedule in the Faith Formation Room in Avila Hall.



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes February 11th

The many miracles which have been performed through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin at Lourdes prompted the Church to institute a special commemorative feast, the "Apparition of the Immaculate Virgin Mary." The Office gives the historical background. Four years after the promulgation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception (1854), the Blessed Virgin appeared a number of times to a very poor and holy girl named Bernadette. The actual spot was in a grotto on the bank of the Gave River near Lourdes.

The Immaculate Conception had a youthful appearance and was clothed in a pure white gown and mantle, with an azure blue girdle. A golden rose adorned each of her bare feet. On her first apparition, February 11, 1858, the Blessed Virgin bade the girl make the sign of the Cross piously and say the rosary with her. Bernadette saw her take the rosary that was hanging from her arms into her hands. This was repeated in subsequent apparitions.

With childlike simplicity Bernadette once sprinkled holy water on the vision, fearing that it was a deception of the evil spirit; but the Blessed Virgin smiled pleasantly, and her face became even more lovely. The third time Mary appeared she invited the girl to come to the grotto daily for two weeks. Now she frequently spoke to Bernadette. On one occasion she ordered her to tell the ecclesiastical authorities to build a church on the spot and to organize processions. Bernadette also was told to drink and wash at the spring still hidden under the sand.

Finally on the feast of the Annunciation, the beautiful Lady announced her name, "I am the Immaculate Conception." The report of cures occurring at the grotto spread quickly and the more it spread, the greater the number of Christians who visited the hallowed place. The publicity given these miraculous events on the one hand and the seeming sincerity and innocence of the girl on the other made it necessary for the bishop of Tarbes to institute a judicial inquiry. Four years later he declared the apparitions to be supernatural and permitted the public veneration of the Immaculate Conception in the grotto. Soon a chapel was erected, and since that time countless pilgrims come every year to Lourdes to fulfill promises or to beg graces.

The first to witness Our Lady's presence at Lourdes was little Bernardette Soubirous, who became her intrepid messenger. Although she is buried far away in Nevers in the north of France, her body totally incorrupt, as if she were asleep, you can "meet" Saint Bernadette everywhere in Lourdes.

It is sweet to remember her and read the humble words she addressed to Our Lady: "Yes, gentle Mother, you lowered yourself, you came down to earth to appear to a helpless little girl... You, the Queen of Heaven and earth, deigned to make use of what was most humble for the world".



St Valentine February 14th

Saint Valentine, officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with "courtly love."

Although not much of St. Valentine's life is reliably known, and whether or not the stories involve two different saints by the same name is also not officially decided, it is highly agreed that St. Valentine was martyred and then buried on the Via Flaminia to the north of Rome.

The romantic nature of Valentine's Day may have derived during the Middle Ages, when it was believed that birds paired couples in mid-February.

St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of affianced couples, bee keepers, engaged couples, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, travelers, and young people. He is represented in pictures with birds and roses.



Happy Valentine's Day to All !

Our Youth Italy Pilgrimage is selling tickets for a chance to win a fantastic Themed Gift Basket. We have 10+ Baskets we will be drawing winning tickets for at our **Italian Dinner on Saturday February**.

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 Father Mark Sarniewicz SDS
 returns to St Teresa Parish as the Associate Pastor.



Father Mark recently served as Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish for 10 years after serving as the Associate here for 3 years.

Father Mark stayed close and frequently attended special programs and joined in the singing at important events.

Father Chris warmly welcomes Father Mark back to the parish where he is known and appreciated.



"You are the Light of the WORLD"

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

The Right Words

It is hard to say the right thing at the right time. Some people seem to have a gift for words. They know what to say to comfort, challenge, or inspire others. Others of us say things without thinking, words we later regret. Often we just cannot think of the argument we would like to make when someone else is speaking. We think it up later. When we have the opportunity to speak, we might feel frustrated or inadequate. We might wish someone else would speak instead.

But words are not everything. People also learn from us by our actions. Sometimes our care and concern is written on our faces or communicated in gestures of kindness. God can use us, even when we cannot find words.

St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "My message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of Spirit and power." Paul did not rely on public speaking technique. He spoke about his experience of God, and the power of the Spirit came through his words with a conviction that impressed his hearers.

If we get into situations where we do not know what to say, we may want to ask God for help before we speak. When we open our mouths, the Spirit of God can work, using our own experience and conviction in ways that words alone could not do.

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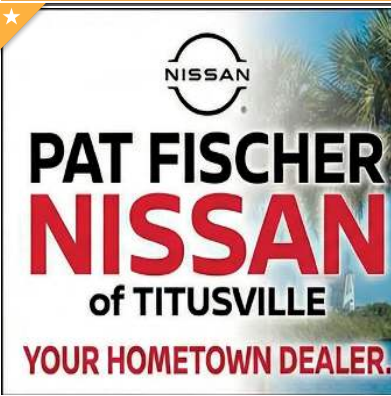
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